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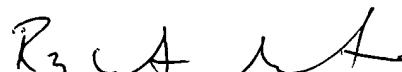
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) AND AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

SIR:

Applicant respectfully requests a three (3) month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action dated February 27, 2003 for which a three month response period was set to expire on May 27, 2003. The extended period expires August 27, 2003. A Response to Office Action is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0720 (Rohm & Monsanto, P.L.C.) in the amount of \$465 to cover the fee for a three (3) month extension of time for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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